

### Solution for Multiple Choice Questions

1.  $\left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} + 2\left(\frac{1}{ab} + \frac{1}{bc} + \frac{1}{ac}\right) \Rightarrow \frac{1}{ab} + \frac{1}{bc} + \frac{1}{ac} = \frac{3}{2}$ .
2. There are  $n-3$  diagonals through each vertex and each diagonal is counted twice. So there are  $\frac{n(n-3)}{2}$  diagonals.
3.  $r = \frac{S}{p}$  where  $p = \frac{a+b+c}{2} = \frac{90}{2} = 45$ . Since  $9^2 + 40^2 = 41^2$ ,  $\angle ACB = 90^\circ$  and  $S = \frac{9 \times 40}{2} = 180$ . Then  $r = \frac{180}{45} = 4$ .
4. From 1 to 9, there is one such integer. From  $10n$  to  $10n + 9$ , where  $1 \leq n \leq 199$ , there are two such integers. From 2000 to 2007, there is one such integer. So the total is 400.
5. Since the last digit for  $n!, n \geq 5$  is zero and the last digit of  $1! + 2! + 3! + 4! = 1 + 2 + 6 + 24 = 33$  is 3, the answer is 3.

6. Let the angle bisector of intersect  $DE$  at  $F$  and  $BC$  at  $G$ . By symmetry,  $AG$  is the perpendicular bisector to  $DE$  and  $BC$ . Now

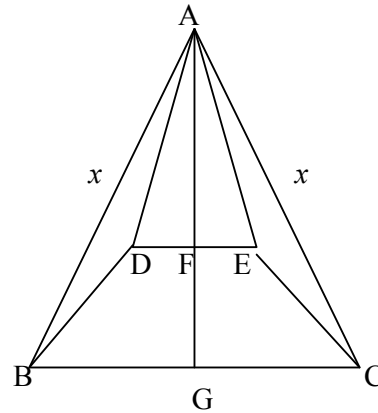
$$AF = \sqrt{7 - \frac{1}{4}} = \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}. \text{ If } AB = x, \text{ then}$$

$$AG = \frac{x\sqrt{3}}{2}.$$

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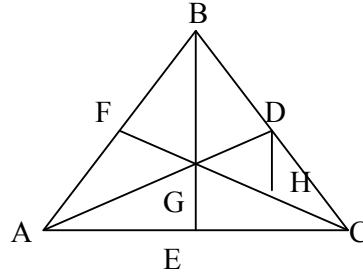
$$(x-3)\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} = AG - AF = FG = \sqrt{2 - \left(\frac{x-1}{2}\right)^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{5 + \sqrt{13}}{2}.$$



7. The smallest 5 different prime divisors  $2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7 \cdot 11 = 2310 > 500$ , there are no number less than 500 can have more than 4 different prime divisors. The four prime divisor can be chosen only by  $2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 7 = 210$ ,  $2 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdot 11 = 330$  and  $2 \cdot 3 \cdot 7 \cdot 11 = 462$ .

8. Let  $G$  be the centroid and  $H$  be the midpoint of  $CG$ . It maybe proved that  $GD=3$ ,  $DH=4$  and  $HG=5$ . Hence  $DH$  is a right-angled triangle with area 6. Now this triangle is  $1/12$  of  $\Delta ABC$  hence area of  $\Delta ABC = 72$  square units.



9. Divide the carpet into  $41^2$  square of size  $3 \times 3$  and consider the central square of any of these  $3 \times 3$  square. No matter whether it is a red or blue square, we have 4 red and 5 blue squares in  $3 \times 3$  squares. Hence the total number of red square  $= 4 \times 41^2 = 6724$ .
10. Let the sides of such triangle be  $n-1, n, n+1$ . Then  $(n-1) + n + (n+1) \leq 100$  and  $(n-1) + n > n+1$  imply  $n > 2$  and  $n \leq 33$ , that is  $n = 3, 4, \dots, 33$  when  $n = 3$ ,  $2^2 + 3^2 < 4^2$ , the triangle is obtuse; when  $n = 4$ ,  $3^2 + 4^2 = 5^2$ , the triangle is right; when  $n \geq 5$ ,  $n^2 + (n-1)^2 - (n+1)^2 = n^2 - 4n = n(n-4) > 0$  the triangle is acute. Thus the required number is  $33 - 4 = 29$ .

11. First  $\frac{13}{7} < \frac{n+k}{n} = 1 + \frac{k}{n} < \frac{15}{8}$  gives  $\frac{6}{7} < \frac{k}{n} < \frac{7}{8}$  or  $\frac{48}{56} < \frac{k}{n} < \frac{49}{56} \Rightarrow \frac{96}{112} < \frac{k}{n} < \frac{98}{112}$ . Hence  $n = 112, (k = 97)$  is the answer.

12. Let  $x$  and  $y$  are number of rabbit and pheasant respectively. Then we have
- $$x + y = 35 \quad (1)$$
- $$4x + 2y = 94 \quad (2)$$
- $(2) - 2 \times (1) \Rightarrow 2x = 24 \Rightarrow x = 12$ . Then  $y = 23$ , the difference is 11.

13. 
$$\frac{1}{a + \sqrt{a^2 + 1}} = \frac{(\sqrt{a^2 + 1} - a)}{(a + \sqrt{a^2 + 1})(\sqrt{a^2 + 1} - a)} = \sqrt{a^2 + 1} - a.$$

14.  $x^{17}$  can only be obtained by multiplying two  $x^5$  and one  $x^7$ . There are 20 ways to get  $x^7$  and  $C_2^{19} = 171$  ways to get two  $x^5$  in the remaining 19 factors. So the answer is  $20 \times 171 = 3420$ .
15. Let  $m$  and  $n$  be integral roots of  $x^2 + ax + 8a = 0$ , with  $m \leq n$ . Then  $x^2 + ax + 8a = (x - m)(x - n) = x^2 - (m + n)x + mn$ . We have  $a = -(m + n)$  and  $8a = mn$ . Thus  $a$  is an integer and  $-8(m + n) = mn$ , get

$mn + 8m + 8n = 0$  or  $(m + 8)(n + 8) = 64$ . Consider the factorization of 64,  
 $64 \times 1 = 32 \times 2 = 16 \times 4 = 8 \times 8 = 4 \times 16 = 2 \times 32 = 1 \times 64 =$   
 $(-64) \times (-1) = (-32) \times (-2) = (-16) \times (-4) = (-8) \times (-8) = (-4) \times (-16) =$   
 $(-2) \times (-32) = (-1) \times (-64)$  we obtain 8 distinct pairs of  $m$  and  $n$ .

16. From  $x^2 + xy + y^2 = 0$ , get  $\frac{xy}{(x+y)(x+y)} = 1$ . Let  $t = \frac{x}{x+y}$ , then

$$\frac{1}{t} = \frac{y}{x+y} \quad \text{and} \quad t + \frac{1}{t} = 1, \quad t^2 - t + 1 = 0 = (t+1)(t^2 - t + 1) = t^3 + 1 \Rightarrow t^3 = -1.$$

Thus  $t^{2007} = (t^3)^{669} = -1$  and hence  $t^{2007} + \frac{1}{t^{2007}} = -2$ .

17. The equation can be rewritten as  $(x^3 - b)^2 = 100$ , which implies  $x = \sqrt[3]{b \pm 10}$ .

Thus  $2 = \sqrt[3]{b+10} - \sqrt[3]{b-10}$ . Cubing both sides, we get

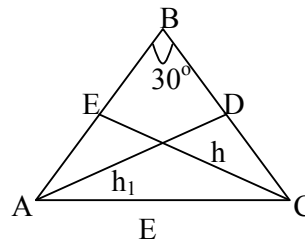
$$8 = b + 10 - 3\sqrt{(b+10)^2(b-10)} + 3\sqrt{(b+10)(b-10)^2} - (b-10)$$

$$8 = 20 - 3\sqrt{(b^2 - 100)}(\sqrt[3]{b+10} - \sqrt[3]{b-10}) = 20 - 6\sqrt{(b^2 - 100)}$$

Then  $\sqrt[3]{(b^2 - 100)} = 2 \Rightarrow b = 6\sqrt{3}$ .

18.  $BC = 2h_2$  and  $S = \frac{1}{2}AD \cdot BC = \frac{1}{2}h_1 \cdot 2h_2 = h_1h_2$

$$AB = 2h_1 \quad \text{and} \quad S = \frac{1}{2}EC \cdot AB = \frac{1}{2}h_2 \cdot 2h_1 = h_1h_2$$



19.  $S = \frac{1+2007}{2} \cdot 1004 = 1004^2 = (1004-4)(1004+4) + 16 = 1008016$ .

20.  $\frac{a}{b}$  is largest if  $a=1000$  and  $b=1002$ .